

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT CHATTANOOGA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	Case No. 1:23-cr-0114-1
v.)	
)	Judge Travis R. McDonough
)	
DENNIS ALLEN GAAL)	Magistrate Judge Susan K. Lee
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ORDER

Magistrate Judge Susan K. Lee filed a report and recommendation recommending that the Court: (1) grant Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea as to Count Two of the four-count Indictment; (2) accept Defendant's guilty plea as to Count Two; (3) adjudicate the Defendant guilty of Count Two; (4) defer a decision on whether to accept the amended plea agreement (Doc.22) until sentencing; and (5) order that Defendant remain in custody until sentencing in this matter (Doc. 27). Neither party filed a timely objection to the report and recommendation. After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with Magistrate Judge Lee's report and recommendation. Accordingly, the Court **ACCEPTS** and **ADOPTS** the magistrate judge's report and recommendation (Doc. 27) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea as to Count Two of the Indictment is **GRANTED**;
2. Defendant's plea of guilty to Count Two is **ACCEPTED**;
3. Defendant is hereby **ADJUDGED** guilty of Count Two;

4. A decision on whether to accept the amended plea agreement is **DEFERRED** until sentencing; and

Defendant **SHALL REMAIN** in custody until sentencing in this matter, which is scheduled to take place on **February 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. [EASTERN]** before the undersigned.

SO ORDERED.

/s/Travis R. McDonough

**TRAVIS R. MCDONOUGH
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**